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SUBJECT: PENTECOSTALS IN EMBASSY

1. PENTECOSTALS IN EMBASSY RECEIVED PHONE CALL FROM THEIR FAMILIES IN KRASNOYARSKIY KRAY ON AUGUST 21. VASHCHENKOS' DAUGHTER INFORMED MOTHER AND FATHER THAT A SOVIET COURT HAD DECIDED TO TAKE THE EIGHT MINOR CHILDREN FROM THE HOME IN CHERNOGORSK AND PLACE THEM IN STATE ORPHANAGE. THE TWO OLDER CHILDREN ARE DEFYING THIS RULING BY TRYING TO KEEP THE CHILDREN HOME. DAUGHTER ALSO INFORMED THE VASHCHENKOS THAT SON WHO HAD BEEN ASSAULTED IN FRONT OF EMBASSY ON JUNE 27 WAS STILL SUFFERING FROM SERIOUS KIDNEY AND FACIAL INJURIES. MRS. CHMYKHALOVA, WHO ENTERED THE EMBASSY WITH THE VASHCHENKOS ON JUNE 27, WAS TOLD THAT HER HUSBAND WILL BE TRIED ON SEPTEMBER 4 -- APPARENTLY FOR RENOUNCING HIS SOVIET CITIZENSHIP.

2. THE NEWS FROM CHERNOGORSK HAS HARDENED THE RESOLVE OF BOTH THE VASHCHENKOS AND CHMYKHALOVAS TO CONFIDENTIAL

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STAY IN THE EMBASSY. MRS. VASHCHENKO INFORMED CONSOFF THAT SINCE THEY EXPECT TO BE ARRESTED AND SENT TO A CAMP OR AN ASYLUM AFTER THEY LEAVE THE EMBASSY, THEY WILL "LOSE" THEIR CHILDREN IN ANY CASE. TOON

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